) Group Art Unit: 2813 ) Examiner: Pham, T.S.

Attorney Docket No.: 002818/X1/PDD/PSI/JW

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Suketu A. Parikh Serial No.: 09/244,788 Confirmation No.: 4159

Filed: 2/5/99

For: Dual Damascene Misalignment Tolerant Techniques For Vias And Sacrificial

Etch Segments

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE in the above-identified application, in response to the Office Action mailed 4/14/03. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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-	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	21	MINUS	23	0	\$18.00	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	3	MINUS	4	0	\$84.00	\$0.00
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TOTAL . . \$0.00. .

- No additional Filing Fee is required. <u>X</u>
- Χ\_ Petition to extend time to respond.
- Extension Fee \$410.00 <u>X</u>
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$410.00 to Deposit Account 50-1074 \_X\_
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be <u>X</u> required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1074. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

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This response concerning the above-identified application is in response to the Office Action mailed on April 14, 2003.